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FATHER DRISCOLL TRANSFERRED

Council Chaplain Appointed Pastor in Westwood

Father Joseph Driscoll, Chaplain of Union Council for 10 these many years, has been transferred to St. Andrew's Church in Westwood, N. J. where he will assume the position of Pastor.

As Chaplain of Union Council and also as Assistant Pastor of St. Michael's Church, Fr. Driscoll was well known to all members of the Council. A priest for more than 26 years, Fr. Driscoll came to Union 15 years ago and was active in the formation of Union Council.

He leaves for a 79-year-old Church in the heart of Bergen County serving both Rivervale and Westwood. The parish includes a modern four-year-old Church seating 1100, a school with 700 students, a rectory and a convent. Fr. Driscoll will be served by two Assistant Pastors.

In a farewell address to the Council members, Fr. Driscoll reviewed some of his finer moments in the Council. In commenting upon his new assignment he remarked that, "... one of the Assistant Pastors is a young theologian, guess I'll have to bone up". Fr. Driscoll then went on asking that his Brothers not forget him, and if they get the chance, to pay him a visit once-in-a-while.

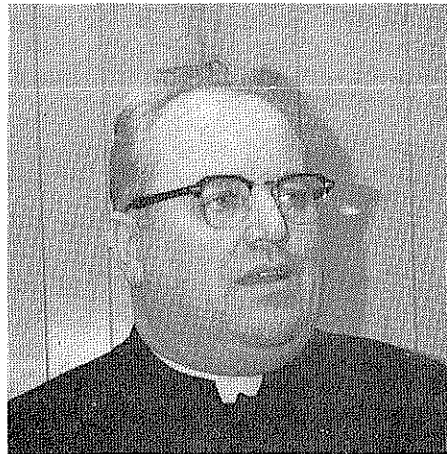
Fr. Driscoll will be sorely missed at Union Council — it is after you lose a friend that you appreciate him — for he was a confidant to many, a constant source of inspiration to each succeeding Grand Knight.

It is with a slight lump-in-the-throat that we say farewell to Father Driscoll and wish him a healthy and fruitful pastorate.

His successor as Council Chaplain has not been named.

— Safety Tip —
FALLEN LEAVES MAKE FOR
SLIPPERY STREETS
— BRAKE EASY —

Russ Coen and Harvey Lewis to Be Honored at Snow-Ball Dance



FATHER DRISCOLL

J. Russel Coen, P.G.K. and Harvey Lewis past president of the Columbian Club will be honored on December 7th at the Annual Snow-Ball-Dance to be held at the Council.

This gala and festive affair will feature a cocktail hour from 7:30 to 8:30 at which time a sumptuous dinner will be served. Dancing to the music of the Mark V band will start at 9:00 p.m. till 1:00 a.m.

This affair — a red-must in Navy parlance — is the Council's way of saying "thank-you" to two of the finest men to have ever served Union Council. It is only fitting that we turn-out en masse to say "hello" to these fine gentlemen and their wonderful wives for a job well done. Reserve your tickets for this outstanding event. The \$20.00 per couple charge covers a complete evening of entertainment and culinary delight.

Let's show our appreciation to Russ and Harvey by having a sell-out crowd wish them success. Remember — Saturday, December 7th.

Dinner Meeting to be Held on December 9th

The Annual Dinner Meeting will be held on December 9th at the Council Home and will commence at 6:30 p.m. with Mass and Holy Communion. This affair, a virtual sellout each year, will feature the very best in Continental Cuisine. This plus liters of Amber refreshment . . . all for only \$1.50.

So mark your calendar NOW . . . reserve December 9th . . . you'll be glad you did.

Children's Ice Skating Planned

On Saturday, November 30th there will be an Ice Skating Party at South Mountain Arena. The fee, including transportation will be \$1.75 per child. Children under 9 years old should be accompanied by an adult. Buses will leave from in front of the Council at 1:45 p.m. Skates are available for rental at 65¢ per pair.

EDITORIAL

There appears to be a great deal of consternation in Union concerning alleged racial imbalance in the Jefferson School and the loss of Federal funds if the federal guide lines are not adhered to.

The concept of busing — foreign to most of us — has given rise to sundry organizations intent on fighting any busing of students from one school to another.

Before we all get off on a tangent we should wait until all the facts are in and assessed. Certain questions still remain unanswered. For example, is the school district gerrymandered to create a segregated condition? How are teachers assigned to the various schools — including the Jefferson School? Is the Jefferson School a bona-fide neighborhood School?

These and other questions must be answered before a positive approach to better education for all the children of Union can become a reality. It is time for a cool appraisal of our school system and not an emotional approach which will, in the long run, devastate our school system. We have but to look across the river to see what an emotional approach will accomplish — chaos.

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CALENDAR

- NOV. 30 — Ice Skating Party —
So. Mt. Reservation — 1:45 p.m.
- DEC. 1 — Kreskin at Council
Wheelchair pushers — Lyons
Hospital
- DEC. 7 — Snow-Ball Dance —
\$20.00/couple
- DEC. 8 — Feast of Immaculate
Conception
- DEC. 9 — Annual Dinner Meeting
- DEC. 18 — J.F.K. Gen'l Assembly
—4th Degree
- DEC. 23 — Regular Council Meet-
ing — 8:15 p.m.
- DEC. 25 — Christmas Day
- DEC. 31 — New Year's Eve Party
- JAN. 1 — Feast of the Circum-
cision
- JAN. 2 — Columbian Club Meet-
ing
- JAN. 5 — Corporate Communion
Breakfast — Blood Bank Day
at Council — 12:30-5:00
- JAN. 13 — Regular Council Meet-
ing — Insurance program —
Gus Cawley

Corporate Communion Breakfast and Blood Bank Planned for Same Day

January 5th will be a busy day at Union Council when a Corporate Communion Breakfast and Blood Bank program will be held on the same day.

The Family Corporate Communion Breakfast will be held at St. Michael's at 9:05 to be followed by coffee and rolls at the Council. No sooner will this end than the Hall will be set up to accept Blood Donors for our re-instituted Blood Bank Program. A roast beef dinner will be served to donors.

Here is a chance to practice Catho-lice Action and Fraternity — all in one day. Further details will be in the December Digest.

Random Thoughts

by JIM MORAN

WIT AND WISDOM: Once a man dreamed of owning a cottage in the country. Today he dreams of owning a garage in the city . . . Prejudice is a great time saver. It enables us to form opinions without bothering with facts . . . A man should never be ashamed to admit he has been wrong; which is the same as saying he is wiser today than he was yesterday . . . One employee to another: "My mistake was buying stock in the company. Now I worry about the lousy work I'm turning out" . . . Who is wise? He that learns from everyone. Who is powerful? He that governs his passions. Who is rich? He that is content. Who is that? Nobody! . . . These are difficult days for auto manufacturers; they're thinking up ways to make their product safer, and new names to make them sound more dangerous . . . One small boy to another: "I plan on enjoying these years, before girls turn into the opposite sex" . . . Fame is a vapor, popularity an accident, riches take wings. Only one thing endures, Character . . . A speech is like a love affair; any fool can start it, but it requires a considerable skill to end it . . . Did you hear about one unhappy Hollywood actor who has been in four successive flops: A play, two movies, and an election . . . A child enters your home and makes so much noise for 20 years you can hardly stand it, then departs, leaving the house so silent, you think you will go mad . . . How can we describe the ultimate strength of man? When he becomes strong enough to grasp the truth of God . . . What this country needs is a family that will produce more lumber and fewer nuts . . . There was a housewife named Ryan who had twenty-six kids without trying. She's as robust today as the flower in May, but the stork that delivered is dying . . . It is better to be last in the traffic lane than first in the funeral procession . . . Marriage is like the Army: Everybody complains, but you'd be surprised at how many re-enlist . . . The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him . . . Show me a Cantalope that looks like Lassie and I'll show you a Melon Collie (from Ed O'Las) . . . "Frank" is the word people use now when they mean dirty, but they're not frank enough to say so . . . Some good advice from Dr. William Menniger: "No matter what your age or job, you are more mature if you have found a cause in which to invest your time for some social good. Through it you can achieve an outstanding characteristic of emotional maturity; the ability to find satisfaction in giving". How about getting your satisfaction out of K. of C. activities?

Knight of the Month

NOVEMBER



MR. ROBERT T. HOLLER

Gentle Bob, as he affectionately is referred to is another of those un-sung heroes of Union Council who by making hard jobs look easy tend to be overlooked for the continuing participation in Council Activities.

Bob has always been an active member of Union Council having served as Council Activities Chairman and also as an Officer of the Council. He is married for the last 22 years and he and his wife Marge have three daughters, Marilyn—20, Peggy—16, and Barbara—15.

Employed in the Sheet Metal Trades for the last 25 years, Bob's talents are recognized also as a teacher in the Irvington Vocational School System where he teaches his trade a couple of evenings a week.

Born in Newark, Bob and his wife moved to Union 20 years ago. He is a parishioner of St. Michael's Church and a member of the National Fire & Drum Corp. He also served in the Navy for some 3 years during World War II. Bob and his family reside at 2177 Vauxhall Road.

Our congratulations go to Mr. Robert T. Holler — our Knight of the Month for November.

Kolumbian Klub Korner


As mentioned in a previous Kolumbian Klub Korner column, phase one of the Council renovation program is underway. Pledge monies are sufficient to undertake a major revision of the game room which will truly turn this haven-for-broken-chairs into a modern sitting room.

Complete with wood paneling, new upholstered furniture, carpet, etc. this room will be available during the day to our senior members for relaxation. Cold drinks will be available, plus a T.V. When completed, it will be a wonderful place to relax . . . away from the bar.

Still another project in the planning stage is a complete renovation of the bar area — but more on this in a later column.

Meanwhile, keep your eyes open for the newest progress of Union Council — progress that was started eleven years ago — and has never ceased . . . and never will . . .

Grand Knight's Message
Henry F. J. Skarbek



E Scriptis Equitis Magni

November is the month that Holy Mother Church sets aside to honor our dearly departed brethren. We too, as Knights of Columbus also used November to honor our dead. Our Memorial Mass was celebrated on November 17th and our annual Memorial Service was held on November 18th at the Council home.

This twilight month which starts with the feast of All Saints and the day of remembrance, All Souls, is also a month of thanksgiving, a month to thank the bountiful Lord for all our blessings. Thanksgiving Day as we gather round with our families and enjoy the bountiful harvest, let us all give thanks that we live in this great country and pray for those, less fortunate than we, who would crawl to receive the scraps from our table.

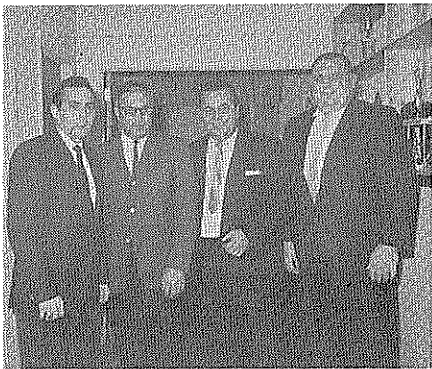
Let us also try to get to church and take care of our obligation to God first. He in turn will take care of us. Let us thank Him first for the gift of Faith and then for our continued good health.

God bless you all.

Congratulations

To Nicholas and Sal Traviglione on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, a 6 lb. 2 oz. bundle of joy named Jodi-Ann born on October 28th. This is Sal's second grandchild, having been presented with his first by Sal Jr. about 2½ years ago. Paul is his name.

Bowling Dance Huge Success



The first Annual Bowling Dance proved to be a strike with hundreds of keg-liners and their wives showing up to dance a line or two. Shown above at the affair are the Officers of the Bowling League 1. to r. Joe Cantalupo—Vice Pres., Barney Capriiglione—Treasurer, Tony Andrade—President, and Bill Bucher—Secretary.

Halloween Highlights



Shown above is Tony Sibilgia and his Naval Drill Team who won the prize as the best group at the Annual Halloween Party held at the Council. Their riotous costumes gained unanimous approval for originality and humor.

Although not a contest winner, Grand Knight Henry Skarbek and his wife are shown below in a pretty original get-up. Some other costumes of note were Gene Eckel and his Hippies, runner-up Murdoch Walker and wife in a Black-Power regalia and the President of Mexico and his Olympic Team.




Our Servicemen

You have a chance to do a fraternal deed for our Brothers serving in the Armed Forces. Send them a letter or just a short note. Remember what mail call meant to you when you were in the service? It's still just as important, regardless of where a man is located. He is doing his patriotic duty, and it is something less than pleasant at times.

What do you write about? Even if you don't know the brother personally it is easier than you think. Write about what you are doing, family activities, things of interest to you. No matter what your subjects, it's a word from home where normal things are happening, and shows you cared enough to write. Getting a letter from you would have a special meaning because there is no special obligation to say "hello". You'll be fulfilling the principles you believe in as a Knight of Columbus: Fraternity and Patriotism. A little effort and a few minutes of your time could give a serviceman's morale a big lift.

INSURANCE ADVISER
Gus Cawley
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I Am A Piece of Paper

- But even more,
 - I am an idea.
 - I am an education for the children.
 - I am savings.
 - I am also property that increases in value, from year to year.
 - I lend money when you need it most —with no questions asked.
 - I pay off mortgages so that the family can remain together in its own home.
 - I assure fathers the daring to live and the moral right to die.
 - I create, manage, and distribute property.
 - I am the great emancipator from want.
 - I am tangible evidence that a man is a good husband and father.
 - I am a declaration of financial independence, a charter of economic freedom.
 - I am the difference between an "old man" and an "elderly gentleman".
 - I provide cash if illness, injury, old age, or death cuts off the bread-winners income.
 - I am the only thing that father can buy on the installment plan that mother doesn't have to finish paying for.
 - I am protected by laws that prevent creditors from assessing the money I give to your loved ones.
 - I bring dignity, peace of mind, and security to the latter years of life.
 - I guarantee that there "will always be Christmas with tinsel, a happy fireside and the laughter of children" — even though father is not there.
 - I am the guardian Angel of the home.
 - I AM YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE CERTIFICATE.
- See: Gus Cawley
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TICKETS FOR KRESKIN—DEC. 1

Still Available
Call Al Petraca — 688-4695

As far as we know, there are five Brothers of our Council on active duty: Capt. (Father) Thomas Confroy-Army, Raymond Kozlaski-Navy, Edward Olas-Air Force, Joseph Verderese-Army and Walter Wasowski Jr.-Navy.

If there are more let the Digest Editor know. Also since the addresses are subject to change, contact Jim Moran at any Council meeting or call him at 687-0566 for the addresses of these Brothers. Act now!